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SUBJ: SONNENFELDT: DENIAL AND DISTORTION

1. BELGRADE'S MAIN DAILY NEWSPAPER "POLITIKA" RAN
STORY APR 8 HEADLINED "SONNENFELDT DENIES STATEMENT

ABOUT SPHERES ON INFLUENCE". ARTICLE WAS BASED ON
STATE DEPARTMENT PRESS BRIEFING BY THE COUNSELOR.
FOREIGN PRESS SUMMARY "RED TANJUG" HAS ALSO CARRIED
FURTHER CLARIFICATION OF THE "SONNENFELDT DOCTRINE".
APR 8 EDITION PRINTED NEW YORK "TIMES" SUMMARY OF
SONNENFELDT'S
REMARKS ON YUGOSLAVIA AND EXCERPTS FROM
STATE PRESS CONFERENCE.

2. MILITARY WEEKLY "NARODNA ARMIJA", HOWEVER, BASED
CRITICAL EDITORIAL ENTITLED "SONNENFELDT'S 'DETENTE' "
ON ORIGINAL EVANS AND NOVAK ARTICLE. EDITORIAL SAID
SONNENFELDT INTERPRETS "DETENTE" TO MEAN SUPERPOWER
DIVISION OF WORLD INTO SPHERES OF INFLUENCE, A LA

YALTA. IT CALLED RAMRKS ABOUT YUGOSLAVIA GTSENSELESS".

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WRITER ASCRIBED UNSTATED "POLITICAL MOTIVES" TO

SONNENFELDT FOR MAKING RECOMMENDATION THAT YUGOSLAVIA
BE "LESS OBNOXIOUS TO MOSCOW". HE REITERATED THAT
YUGOSLAV-SOVIET RELATIONS ARE BASED ON "RESPECT FOR
SOVEREIGNTY, TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY, EQUALITY AND NON-
INTERFERENCE IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS". EDITORIAL
REJECTED SONNENFELDT'S ASSUMPTION THAT YUGOSLAV
INDEPENDENCE DEPENDS IN ANY WAY ON THE UNITED STATES:
"WHEN IT IS A MATTER
OF DEFENSE OF FREEDOM AND INDEPENDENCE,
OUR LAND NEEDS NOBODY'S, INCLUDING AMERICAN, 'UMBRELLA'".

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